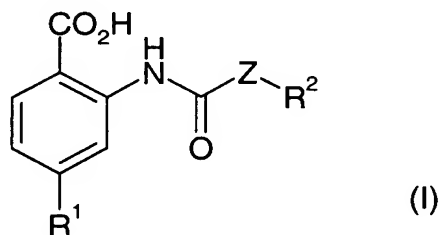


Amendments to the claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of claims:

1. (Currently amended): A ~~[[n]] compound selected from:~~ a compound of Formula (I) :



~~and~~ or a salt, solvate or physiologically functional derivative thereof, wherein:

R¹ ~~represents~~ is hydrogen, halogen or C₁-C₃alkyl;

R² ~~represents~~ is a 5 or 6-member aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclic or alicyclic ring;

Z ~~represents~~ is -(CH₂)_q- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -CH=CH- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)NH- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)O- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pSO₂NR³- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pNR³SO₂- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_nO- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -C(R⁴R⁵)O- or -Y-W-X- ;

W ~~represents~~ is a 5 or 6-member aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclic or alicyclic ring;

X and Y ~~[[;]]~~ ~~which may are~~ are independently be present or absent, where present independently ~~represent~~ is -(CH₂)_q- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -CH=CH- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)O- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)NH- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pSO₂NR³- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pNR³SO₂- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pC(O)- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pNH- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pO- ~~[[;]]~~ ₁ -(CH₂)_pS- or -(CH₂)_pO-CH₂- ;

~~n represents an integer selected from~~ is 2, 3 and or 4;

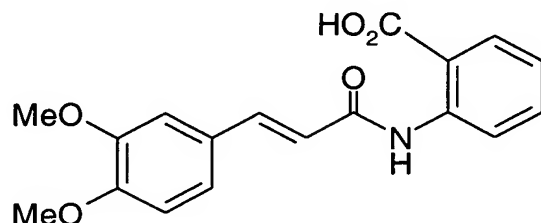
~~p represents an integer selected from~~ is 0, 1 and or 2;

~~q represents an integer selected from~~ is 1, 2, 3 and or 4;

R³ ~~represents~~ is hydrogen or methyl; and

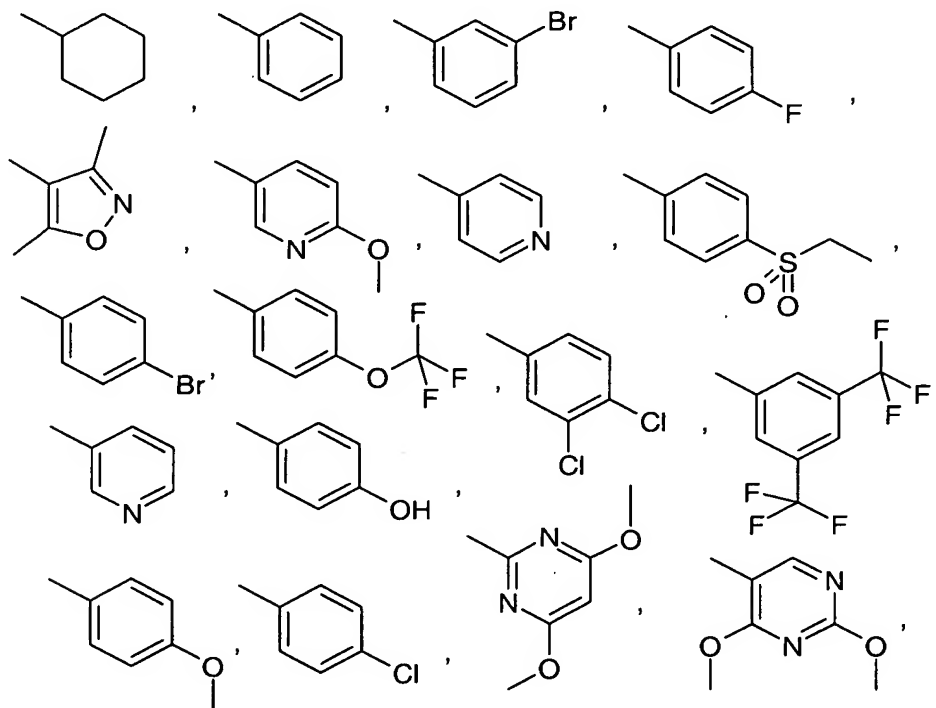
R⁴ and R⁵ ~~which may be the same or different,~~ are independently represent C₁-C₃alkyl; provided

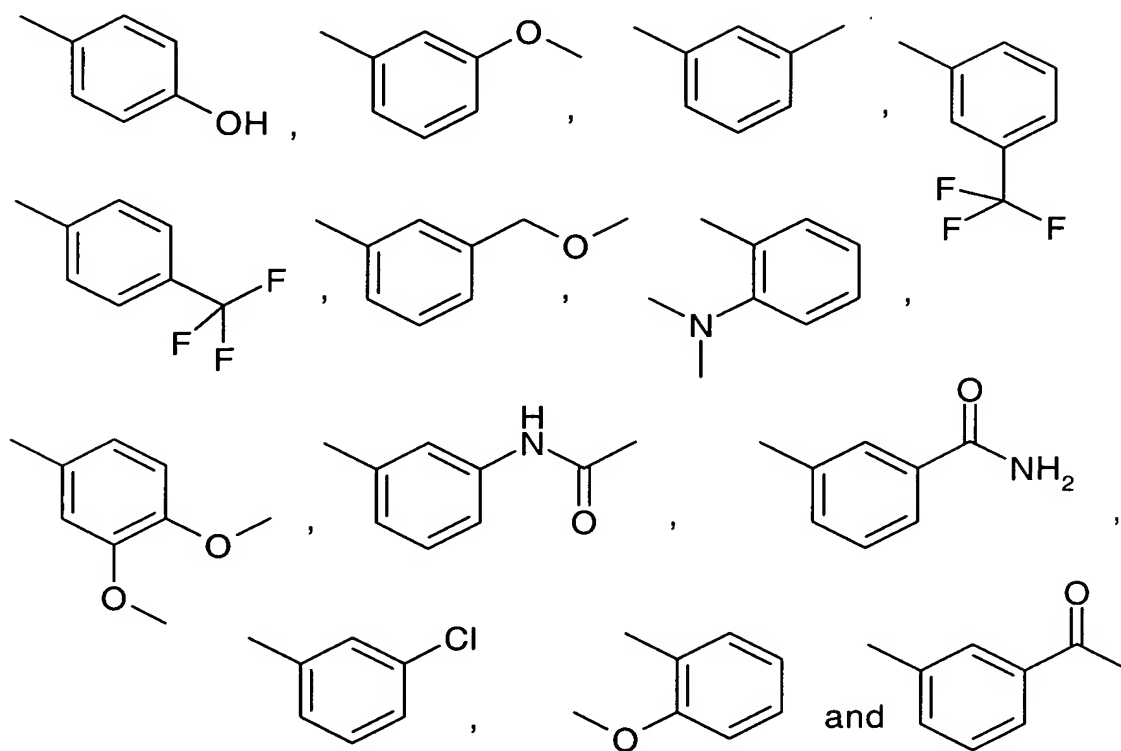
- (i) that when R^1 is hydrogen, Z is $-(CH_2)_n-$, and n is 2, then R^2 is other than para-chlorophenyl or para-methylphenyl; and
- (ii) that a compound of Formula (I) is other than 2-(2-(((4-phenyl)phenyl)amino)acetyl)amino)benzoic acid, 2-(2-(((4-phenyl)phenoxy)acetyl)amino) benzoic acid, 2-[[[4-cyclohexylphenoxy)acetyl]amino]benzoic acid, 2-[[[3-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,2,4-oxadiazol-5-yl]-1-oxopropyl]amino]benzoic acid or compound X



X.

2. (Original): A compound according to claim 1 wherein R^1 is hydrogen or methyl.
3. (Original): A compound according to claim 2 wherein R^1 is hydrogen.
4. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any preceding claim~~ wherein R^2 is cyclohexyl, phenyl, pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyridazinyl ~~and or~~ isoxazolyl.
5. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-3~~ wherein R^2 is selected from the group consisting of:





6. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-3~~ wherein R² is substituted phenyl.

7. (Currently Amended): A compound according to claim 6 wherein R² is phenyl substituted with one or two substituents ~~selected from~~ which are halogen C₁₋₃alkyl, C₁₋₃haloalkyl C₁₋₃alkoxy ~~and or~~ C₁₋₃haloalkoxy.

8. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any preceding claim~~ wherein Y is -O-, -CH₂- or -CH₂O-.

9. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any preceding claim~~ wherein X is absent or is -SO₂NR³-, -NHC(O)- or -NHC(O)NH-.

10. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any preceding claim~~ wherein Y is -CH₂- and X is -SO₂NR³-.

11. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-7~~ wherein Y is -O- and X is absent.

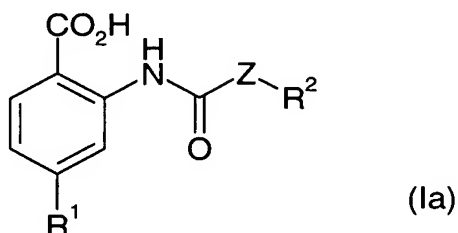
12. (Currently amended): A compound according to claim 1 ~~any preceding claim~~ wherein W is a 5 or 6 member aryl or heteroaryl ring.

13. (Original): A compound according to claim 12 wherein W is phenyl.

14. (Original): A compound according to claim 12 wherein W is a 5 member heteroaryl ring.

Claims 15-20 (Cancelled).

21. (Currently Amended): A method for the treatment of a human or animal subject having ~~disease~~ a condition characterised by under-activation of the HM74A receptor or in which activation of the receptor will be beneficial, which method comprises administering to said human or animal subject an effective amount of a compound ~~selected from: a compound~~ of Formula (Ia) :



And or a salt, solvate or physiologically functional derivative thereof, wherein:

R¹ ~~represents~~ is hydrogen, halogen or C₁-C₃alkyl;

R² ~~represents~~ is a 5 or 6-member aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocyclic or alicyclic ring;

Z ~~represents~~ is -(CH₂)_n - [[;]]₁ -CH=CH- [[;]]₁ -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)- [[;]]₁ -
 -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)NH- [[;]]₁ -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)O- [[;]]₁ -(CH₂)_pSO₂NR³- [[;]]₁ -
 -(CH₂)_pNR³SO₂- [[;]]₁ -(CH₂)_qO- [[;]]₁ -C(R⁴R⁵)O- or -Y-W-X- ;

W ~~represents~~ is a 5 or 6-member aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclic or alicyclic ring;

X and Y[[;]] ~~which may are~~ are independently be present or absent, where present independently ~~represent~~ is -(CH₂)_q- [[;]]₁ -CH=CH- [[;]]₁ -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)- [[;]]₁ -
 -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)O- [[;]]₁ -(CH₂)_pNHC(O)NH- [[;]]₁ -(CH₂)_pSO₂NR³- [[;]]₁ -
 -(CH₂)_pNR³SO₂- [[;]]₁ -(CH₂)_pC(O)- [[;]]₁ -(CH₂)_pNH- [[;]]₁ -(CH₂)_pO- or
 -(CH₂)_pO-CH₂- ;

n ~~represents an integer selected from~~ is 2, 3 and or 4;

p ~~represents an integer selected from~~ is 0, 1 or 2;

q ~~represents an integer selected from~~ is 1, 2, 3 and or 4;

R³ ~~represents~~ is hydrogen or methyl; and

R^4 and R^5 ~~[[,]] which may be the same or different, are~~ independently represent C_1 - C_3 alkyl.

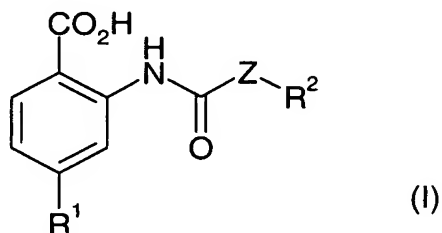
22. (Currently Amended): A method according to claim 21 wherein the condition is a disorder of lipid metabolism ~~including dyslipidaemia or hyperlipoproteinaemia~~ or an inflammatory disease ~~or condition~~.

23. (Currently amended): A pharmaceutical formulation comprising a compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-14~~ in admixture with one or more physiologically acceptable diluents, excipients or carriers.

24. (Currently amended): A combination for administration together or separately, sequentially or simultaneously in separate or combined pharmaceutical formulations, said combination comprising a compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-14~~ together with another therapeutically active agent.

25. (Currently amended): A pharmaceutical formulation comprising a compound according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-14~~, plus a further active ingredient selected from the group consisting of statins, fibrates, bile-acid binding resins and nicotinic acid and one or more physiologically acceptable diluents, excipients or carriers.

26. (Currently Amended): A ~~method~~ process for the preparation of a compound of Formula (I):



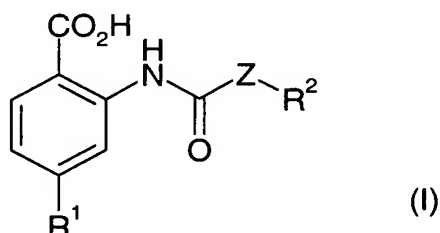
in which R^1 ~~represents~~ is hydrogen, Z ~~represents~~ is -Y-W-X-, Y ~~represents~~ is $-(CH_2)_pO-$, p ~~represents the integer~~ is 1, and W, X and R^2 are as defined in claim 1, the ~~method~~ process comprising the steps of:

- (i) amide bond formation by acetylation of an ester of anthranilic acid;
- (ii) addition of W or W-X- R^2 by substitution of a leaving group;
- (iii) deprotection of the anthranilic acid group;

and where desired or necessary converting a resultant free ~~acid or base~~ base or salt compound of Formula (I) into a physiologically acceptable salt ~~form~~ or free base ~~vice versa~~ or converting one salt ~~form~~ into another physiologically acceptable salt ~~form~~.

27. (Currently Amended): A ~~method~~ process according to claim 26 where in step (ii) comprises addition of W and a further step (ii)(a), addition of R², is included in the form of a further substitution reaction.

28. (Currently Amended): A ~~method~~ process for the preparation of a compound of Formula (I):



in which R¹, R² and Z are as defined in claim 1, the ~~method~~ process comprising the steps of:

(i) formation of an amide between the amine group of 2-amino-bezoic acid and an activated acyl transfer reagent derived from a carboxylic acid; and

(ii) where desired or necessary converting a resultant free base or acid ~~acid or base~~ compound of Formula (I) into a physiologically acceptable salt ~~form~~ or free base ~~vice versa~~ or converting one salt ~~form~~ into another physiologically acceptable salt ~~form~~.

29. (New): A method according to claim 22 wherein the disorder of lipid metabolism is dislipidaemia or hyperlipoproteinaemia.